

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

The Lass For Me.

The lass w' gowd is the lass for me,
Gowd in plenty an' to spare;
I'd tak it a' where it flows free
In yellow ripples o' her hair.

I'd hae some ailer w' her, too,
Siller w' jingle a' the day;
I'd tak it a' when it eam due
In laughs that mak each minute gay.

I'd tak a' jewels w' the price,
Glintin' w' their purples, too,
But hae them in her sparklin' eyes
W' love light fillin' every beam.

An' I'd miser o' them a',
My heart the chest to keep them in;
By day an' night I'd count their fa',
An' try o' each the mair to win.

—Charles McIlwaine, in Delineator.

The Three Branches.

The Central Committee of the Jefferson Davis Monument Association have in possession a set of three plates, representing the three branches of the Confederate army. These plates are executed in the best style of colored work, from designs in water color, by Mr. William L. Sheppard. Mr. Sheppard's services in the Confederate army afforded him advantages in the study of types, places and color in the life of the Confederate soldier, which were possessed by only a few artists.

The figures are treated with almost no background, and only a few accessories appropriate to the branch of the service represented.

The cavalryman is about to saddle his horse; he has the bridle in his hand, whilst the saddle is on a limb near by, and, near it, lie his rolled blanket and sabre.

The infantryman is equipped with rolled blanket, over his shoulder, belt, bayonet, canteen, etc. He has stopped for a moment at the camp fire to light his pipe, and supports his rifle in the hollow of his elbow, in order to have both hands free.

The artilleryman is an officer. He stands on the slight slope of a breastwork, and signals to the gunners to reserve their fire until he can observe the enemy with his field-glass. The smoke drifting by indicates that the gun near him has just been fired.

It will be seen that attention is concentrated on the figures alone, and that there is no intention of representing incident. There is no newness about the "outrif" of these individuals. Their clothing shows service.

The figures are of the light haired and dark haired types—two of them. The artilleryman's hair is iron gray, as there were numbers of middle aged men in the Confederate service who should not go unrepresented in this series.

These pictures are sold for the benefit of the Jefferson Davis monument, and have no agents; the work is done by the chapters. It is hoped that every camp will at least buy one set, as it is necessary that the younger people of the South should know the uniform of their fathers, and not the grotesque figure of a Confederate soldier in a long frock coat.

The price for the set has been reduced to one dollar and fifty cents for the single copy. Orders can be sent to Mrs. William B. Vawter, chairman of the Picture Committee, or to Mrs. N. V. Randolph, No. 61 East Franklin Street.

Jones—Fisher.

Mrs. Robert Haxall Fisher has issued invitations to the marriage of her daughter, Jane Taylor, to Dr. William Russell Jones, the ceremony to take place on Thursday evening, January 5th, in Monumental Church.

Miss Fisher is the youngest daughter of the late Mr. Robert Haxall Fisher, who was connected for many years with the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad, and was a prominent and well known resident of this city. She is the granddaughter of Mr. George E. Fisher, who was closely associated with the history of Monumental Church. Through her mother, Miss Fisher is connected with the Taylor and other prominent families of Staunton, Va.

Dr. Jones is the son of Mr. Thomas S. Jones and the grandson of the late Dr. James L. Jones, of Orange county. He has an excellent position socially and professionally, and ranks among the ablest of the younger Richmond physicians.

Rosenberger—Smith.

The marriage of Miss Jeannette Medora Smith, the daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. William J. Smith, of Winchester, Va., to Mr. Charles Morgan Rosenberger will be celebrated on December 28th, at "Heart's Content," the country home of the bride's parents. The Rev. W. J. Smith, the bride's father, will be the celebrant.

Furness—Penny.

Mr. Lewis P. Furness, of Phoebus, Va., and Miss Hattie Penny, of Wilmington, N. C., will be married on Wednesday next.

Miss Penny is the sister of Mr. G. R. Penny, of Phoebus, and has visited her brother on several occasions since he has been stationed on the United States quarantine ship Jamestown. Mr. Furness is considered one of the leading politicians of the lower end of the Peninsula, and has been both town recorder and Mayor of Phoebus.

Immediately after the ceremony Mr. Furness and his bride will leave for a

visit to Niagara Falls, New York city, and other points North, and will return to their future home in Phoebus about the first of the coming year.

Out-of-Town Society.

Mr. and Mrs. H. McK. Twombly gave a dinner last night at their home on Fifth Avenue, in honor of their niece, Miss Gladys Vanderbilt.

Mrs. Stuyvesant Fish, Mrs. W. Seward Webb, Colonel and Mrs. John Jacob Astor, Mr. James Henry Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence H. Mackay are among those who will entertain a house party during the Christmas holidays at their respective country seats.

Mr. William F. Havemeyer has issued invitations for a large dance at Delmonico's in January.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Van A. Trotter will give a large theatre party at the Broadway Theatre on January 2d, in honor of their daughter, Miss Helen Trotter. After the play they will take their guests to Sherry's for supper and a dance.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas T. Gaff, of Washington, gave a large ball last evening to introduce into society their daughter, Miss Zaidie Gaff. There were about four hundred guests present, and were composed of the young people of official and diplomatic society.

Mrs. Gaff wore a gown of yellow satin, embroidered in silver, and Miss Gaff was attired in white tulle, daintily garnished with lilacs of the valley.

The Postmaster-General and Mrs. Wynne gave a large dinner Wednesday evening in honor of Monsignor Falconio, papal delegate to the United States.

Miss Minor's Recital.

The piano pupils of Miss Zell Minor gave their second monthly recital on December 17th at Miss Minor's studio. The programme was attractively rendered, each pupil announcing her number

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POEMS YOU OUGHT TO KNOW

Whatever your occupation may be, and however crowded your hours with affairs, do not fail to secure at least a few minutes every day for refreshment of your inner life with a bit of poetry.—Professor Charles Eliot Norton.

No. 372.

Respectably Dressed.

By HELEN MARIA FISKE HUNT JACKSON.

Helen Maria Fiske Hunt Jackson was born in Amherst, Mass., October 18, 1831, and died in San Francisco, Cal., August 12, 1885. She married Captain Edward Hunt, of United States army, in 1853, and after his death, which occurred in 1863, she married William S. Jackson. Mrs. Jackson's work was both in poetry and prose of the latter class. Her official report on the condition of the Mission Indians in California and her novel Ramona, are perhaps the best known.



Unknown man, respectfully dressed,

That was all that the record said:

Wondering pity might guess the rest;

One thing was sure, the man was dead.

And dead, because he'd no heart to live;

His courage had faltered and failed the test.

How little the all we now can give,

A nameless sod to cover his breast!

"Respectably dressed," the thoughtless read

The sentence over, and idly say,

"What was it, then, since it was not need,

Which made him thus fling his life away?"

"Respectably dressed?" How little they know

Who never have been for money pressed

What it costs respectable poor to go,

Day after day, "respectably dressed!"

The beggars on sidewalks suffer less,

They herd all together, clan and clan;

Alike and equal in wretchedness,

No room for pride between man and man.

Nothing to lose by rags or by dirt,

More often something is gained instead;

Nothing to fear but bodily hurt,

Nothing to hope for save daily bread.

But respectable poor have all to lose;

For the world to know, means loss and shame.

They'd rather die, if they had to choose;

They cling as for life to place and name.

Gling, and pretend, and conceal, and hide:

Never an hour but its terror hears;

Terror which slinks like guilt to one side,

And often a guiltier conscience wears.

"Respectably dressed" to the last; ay, last!

Last dollar, last crust, last proud pulse beat;

Starved body, starved soul, hope dead and past,

What wonder that any death looks sweet!

"An unknown man respectfully dressed,"

That was all that the record said.

When will the question let us rest,

Is it fault of ours that the man was dead?

This series began in The Times-Dispatch Sunday, October 11, 1903. One is published each day.

north and south; Mrs. James Sutton and Mrs. D. T. Williams east and west. The club will meet next week with Mrs. Williams.

Mrs. and Mrs. W. Henry Venable, of Norfolk, will spend Christmas with relatives in Norfolk.

Mrs. Elisabeth Worth, who has been spending some weeks in the city, left Tuesday for her home, in Louisville, Ky.

Mrs. George Turner has returned home after a pleasant visit to relatives in King George county.

News has been received of the death of Mr. Louis R. Hudkins, of Singapore, Malay Peninsula, Asia. Mr. Hudkins was the youngest son of the late Captain Lewis M. Hudkins, of Norfolk, Va.

Mr. Langstaff Johnston has returned to the city to spend the Christmas holidays with his family, at No. 55 West Franklin Street.

Mr. Davis Ayres is in Roanoke for a few days.

Mr. Eugene Sydnor has gone to Wilkesboro, N. C., to spend a few days with his father, who now resides there.

Misses Sarah and Norma Dowwell and Mr. Howard Winston, of the University of Virginia, will be at No. 25 E. Franklin Street, during the holidays.

Miss Virginia Whiteley, the charming daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Whiteley, has returned from her school in Charlottesville, Va., and will spend Christmas with her parents.

Mrs. Champ Fitzhugh Thornton is visiting friends in Fredericksburg and Port Royal.

Mrs. John D. Clotier will spend a part of the holiday season with relatives in Staunton.

The Confederate calendar offered for sale by the Richmond Chapter, Daughters of the Confederacy, can be obtained at Harrison's drugstore, or from Mrs. Randolph, at No. 61 East Franklin Street.

Miss Fannie M. Mason has returned to Richmond for the holidays and has several friends as her guests.

Friends of Mrs. C. C. McPhail are much concerned to hear that she has been sick during the past week.

Miss Hannah M. Bauer, of "Home Place," has returned from Asheville, N. C., to Richmond for the holidays.

Mrs. Charles E. Borden was guest of honor at an American Beauty tea given Friday last in Wilmington, N. C.

Mrs. S. M. Taylor, of Washington, D. C., is visiting her mother, Mrs. A. D. Bauer, of "Home Place."

Master Leland Montague, the little son of Governor and Mrs. Montague, is progressing toward convalescence. Mrs. Montague, who has nursed her boy through out his illness, is not able to see either her friends or family. It is hoped that her quarantine will soon be at an end.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Featherstone, of Amelia county, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Lydia Featherstone, to Mr. John Wesley Brockwell. Both the prospective bride and bridegroom are well known residents of Staunton. The ceremony will take place this afternoon in the parlors of the Rev. A. A. Jones, pastor of the Denny Street Methodist Episcopal Church.

Miss Jean Bayly Knox will return from Chatham Episcopal Institute to spend Christmas with her mother at No. 213 South Third Street.

Miss Adeline Stern and Miss Ray Rosenblum and Miss Louise Boudar, of Mount De Sale's Academy, Catonsville, Md., will be home for the holidays to-day.

Mrs. Jesse R. Taylor, formerly Miss Bessie B. Ellison, is in the city to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Ellison, No. 814 Park Avenue.

Miss Eugenie Taylor, who has been visiting friends in Danville, has returned, bringing as her guest at "Ponticello" Miss Mary Lou Tucker.

Personals and Briefs.

Mr. R. T. McLeod, a clerk in the office of the auditor of public accounts, will leave to-day for his former home in Rockbridge county to spend two weeks' vacation.

Mrs. S. P. Cowardin and sons, Samuel and Harry, of Third and G Streets, together with Mrs. Cowardin's mother, Mrs. K. P. Crane, left yesterday for New Orleans to spend the holidays with Mrs. Cowardin's brother, Dr. Harry Crane.

Mrs. Edwin Ladwig, of No. 826 West Grace Street, will leave in a few days to spend the winter in Florida. Mr. Ladwig will join her at Jacksonville later. They will spend the month of March at Palm Beach, returning to Richmond in April.

Major Anderson Returns.

Attorney-General William A. Anderson returned yesterday from Washington whither he went to take depositions in a suit against the State by its auditor of public accounts. The further taking of depositions has been deferred.

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"HOPE THAT'LL FIX HIM," SAYS PLATT

New York Senator Makes Spectacular Move Against Governor Odell.

(By Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—The conference of Republicans called by United States Senator Thomas C. Platt in the interest of the re-election of United States Senator Chauncey M. Depew, by the coming State Legislature, was held according to programme, at the Fifth Avenue Hotel this morning. It was in session about three hours, and adjourned without day after appointing a committee of seven, headed by former Lieutenant-Governor Woodruff, to wait upon Governor Odell, who was not invited and informed him of the sentiment as expressed at the conference.

Mr. Woodruff did most Governor Odell as he expected. He drove to the Puck Mansion, where the New England society dinner was held to-night, accompanied by Senator Depew. There they joined the Governor. Late in the evening left the mansion with the expressed intention of proceeding to the Union League or Republican Clubs for an extended conference. Asked regarding Senator Platt's conference to-day, Governor Odell said he was not cognizant of it.

"I do not know what took place at the conference at the Fifth Avenue Hotel to-day, but I do know that whoever is chosen by the Republican organization will be elected."

The morning conference was attended by seventy-five well known Republicans, most of them classed as being in favor of Senator Depew, but a few were believed to be opposed to his candidacy.

The speeches made in the conference were almost without exception in favor of Senator Depew's re-election. No vote was taken and estimates of the numerical classification of those present vary with the sympathies of those estimating.

After the conference, Senator Platt declared himself as greatly pleased with its character and personnel.

"I am proud of it," he said. "It was truly representative and clearly showed what I have all along claimed, that the sentiment of the people of the State is strongly for the re-election of Senator Depew. I imagine its result may be to tone down Mr. Odell."

A COMPLETE SURPRISE.

Capt. Stuart Had No Idea President Intended to Appoint Him.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
NEWPORT NEWS, VA., December 21.—Captain J. E. B. Stuart received a telegram from Washington this afternoon notifying him that he had been nominated in the Senate to-day by President Roosevelt for the office of United States marshal for Eastern Virginia, to succeed Marshal Morgan Treat, of West Point.

When seen by your correspondent shortly after he received the news, Captain Stuart said that the appointment came as a complete surprise, as he had not even heard that there was a chance of a vacancy. In answer to a question concerning his plans for the future, the Captain said that he had not had time to think about the matter at all. He went on to say that he was convinced that his appointment would be confirmed, as he knew of no reason any senator could have for wishing to turn him down.

Mr. Stuart learned of his appointment this afternoon when Marshall Treat had been asked for his resignation by the President.

Captain Stuart is the son of the late General J. E. B. Stuart, the great Confederate cavalry leader. He is forty-four years old, and has been engaged in the banking and real estate business since his early manhood. With his wife and children he has lived here since the close of the Spanish-American war, during which he served as a captain on the staff of General Whelan.

He has been in business in Buena Vista, Staunton and Richmond. At the close of the war he came here and opened a real estate and insurance office. About three years ago he became cashier of the local branch of the National City Bank, which institution was absorbed by the Newport News National Bank. He is now president of the Peoples Gas Company, a company recently incorporated, which proposes to build a factory here.

This is the first political office held by the Captain. Soon after President Roosevelt assumed office Captain Stuart was a candidate for the office of United States marshal. By proving that the candidate had at one time been a candidate for the local Democratic nomination, it is said, the supporters of Marshal Treat succeeded in defeating the man from this city at the last moment.

Recently Captain Stuart announced that he would be a candidate against Collector of Customs J. W. Elliott, when the collectorship appointment is next made. His unexpected disappearance from this fight leaves the field open to Collector Elliott and Mr. A. C. Peachy.

A dozen telegrams from Richmond, Norfolk and other parts of the State have been received by Captain Stuart, congratulating him upon his appointment.

KEPT IT QUIET.

Medical Student Married Last Sept. Without Telling Friends.

The marriage of Mr. Percy Harris, a medical student, to Miss Ines Randolph on the twentieth of last September was made known to his friends here yesterday, and it was quite a surprise to the student body.

For a number of years Mr. Harris has been an ardent admirer of Miss Randolph, so before making his declaration, he was united, and he came to Richmond to resume his studies at the Medical College of Virginia.

Miss Randolph is the daughter of Mrs. Peyton Randolph, of Amherst, and the late Peyton Randolph, at one time president of the Southern Railroad. She is one of the State's most popular and accomplished young ladies and is widely known throughout the State. She is a graduate of Randolph-Macon Woman's College, and was a member of the college annual (Hellenanthus), and is a member of the Kappa Delta sorority of that institution.

Mr. Harris is a son of F. J. Harris, who was recently made cashier of the Radford Trust Company, but formerly of Chambers. He is one of Amherst's most popular and promising young men, and is widely and prominently connected in that section of the State. He is a member of the graduating class of the Medical College of Virginia, where he ranks high as a student, and is very popular, being a member of the Phi Mu Fraternity.

Mr. and Mrs. Harris will spend their Christmas at his father's home, in Radford, and will return to Richmond after the holidays.

Dr. Hicks Still in Jail.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
NEWPORT NEWS, VA., Dec. 21.—The case of Dr. S. Delancy Hicks, charged with raising a City Bank deposit slip from \$10 to \$500, was called in the Police Court to-day and continued until Friday. The Doctor is still in jail, and his friends and relatives in Richmond and Norfolk have not been heard from concerning an effort to secure bail for him. The prisoner still stoutly denies his guilt, and says that he will not only go free, but will compel the City Bank to pay him the \$500 he claims to have deposited there.

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CONGRESS ADJOURNS FOR A LONG HOLIDAY

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., December 21.—An objection by Mr. Mann, of Illinois, to an unanimous consent to take up the inaugural resolution in the House of Representatives to-day sent the whole matter over until after the holidays.

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